

## SENATE RESOLUTION 30

By Stanley

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate the Junior League of Memphis upon the celebration of its 85th anniversary.

WHEREAS, the Association of Junior Leagues International is an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women, and improving communities through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Its purpose is exclusively educational and charitable; and

WHEREAS, the Junior League reaches out to women of all races, religions, and national origins who demonstrate an interest in and commitment to voluntarism; and

WHEREAS, the Junior League is committed to supporting efforts to develop women's and children's potential and improving their communities through the leadership of trained volunteers in Junior Leagues statewide; and

WHEREAS, in 1922, seventeen young women gathered at the home of Mrs. McKay Van Vleet with the objective of electing the first officers of the Junior League of Memphis; they also addressed community needs, including donations to Cheerfield Farm, the blind, and a local orphanage; and

WHEREAS, since its humble but charitable beginnings that day, the Junior League of Memphis has started, coordinated, or contributed to many of Memphis's most worthwhile organizations, including The Volunteer Center, WKNO, Memphis in May, Church Health Center, Hope House, Children's Museum of Memphis, The Salvation Army, Memphis Pink Palace Museum, Memphis Arts Council, The Memphis Symphony, Friends of the Orpheum, Emmanuel Episcopal Center, and the Memphis Alcohol and Drug Council; and

WHEREAS, the Junior League of Memphis has a long legacy of women reaching their full potential by donating millions of dollars and just as much of their time to improve the quality of lives of Memphians; and

WHEREAS, with a past so rich in devotion and commitment, the Junior League of Memphis will surely enrich the city's future with their continued focus on benefiting and serving organizations and individuals throughout the greater Memphis area; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we pause in our deliberations to honor and commend this excellent community-focused volunteer training organization; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor and commend the officers and members of the Junior League of Memphis on the occasion of its 85<sup>th</sup> anniversary, reflecting with deep appreciation on their numerous contributions to their community, State, and country. We wish them much continued success in all of their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.